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1. MINICHI DAILY NEWS REPORTED ON JANUARY 7 FONOFF DECISION TO ASSIGN TWO OFFICERS EACH TO MANAGE JAPANESE INTERESTS IN NORTH AND SOUTH YEMEN. FUNDS ARE REPORTEDLY BUDGETED FOR OPENING MISSIONS IN THIRD QUARTER OF TEXT JAPANESE FISCAL YEAR, I.E., BETWEEN OCTOBER AND DECEMBER 1976. JAPANESE AMBASSADORS TO JIDDA AND CAIRO WILL REMAIN ACCREDITED TO SANA AND ADEN RESPECTIVELY.

2. IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DECISION IS APPARENTLY SANA'S EMBARGO ON JAPANESE GOODS IN RETALIATION FOR JAPANESE REFUSAL TO BUY MORE NORTH YEMENI ROCK SALT DUE TO HIGH MERCURY CONTENT. FURTHER, IMPORTANCE OF SAUDI CONNECTION TO JAPANESE DICTATES GOJ PAY ATTENTION TO TIES WITH SAUDI CLIENT STATES. EMBASSY SUSPECTS DECISION TO STATION OFFICERS ALSO IN ADEN REFELCTS DESIRE TO PROJECT IMPRESSION OF "BALANCE" IN JAPANESE ME DIPLOMACY.
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